Psalm 139 — Domine, probasti

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- U mf 1 LORD, you have searched me / out and / known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; \parallel you dis- / cern my / thoughts from a- / far.
 - 2 You trace my / journeys and my / resting -places and are ac- / quainted with / all my / ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a / word on my / lips, but you, O LORD, / know it / al-to- / gether.
 - 4 You press upon me be- / hind and be- / fore and / lay your / hand up- / on me.
- ⁴ †5 Such knowledge is too / wonderful for / me; it is so / high that I / cannot at- / tain to it.
- M mp 6 Where can I go then / from your / Spirit? where can I / flee / from your / presence?
 - 7 If I climb up to heaven, / you are / there; if I make the grave my bed, / you are / there / al-so.
- W mp 8 If I take the / wings of the / morning and dwell in the / utter-most / parts of the / sea,
 - 9 Even there your / hand will / lead me and your / right hand / hold me / fast.
- 4 mf 10 If I say, "Surely the / darkness will / cover me, and the light a- / round me / turn to / night,"
 - 11 Darkness is not dark to you; || the night is as / bright as the / day; darkness and light to / you are / both a- / like.



- 4 mf 12 For you yourself created my / in-most / parts; you knit me to- / gether in my / moth-er's / womb.
 - 13 I will thank you because I am / marv'lous-ly / made; your works are wonderful, / and I / know it / well.
- W 14 My body was not / hidden from / you,while I was being made in secret and / woven in the / depths of the / earth.
- M 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; || all of them were / written in your / book; they were fashioned day by day, when as / yet / there was / none of them.
- 4 16 How deep I find your / thoughts, O / God! how / great / is the / sum of them!
 - 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in / number than the / sand; to count them all, my life span would / need to / be like / yours.
- W 18 Oh, that you would slay the / wicked, O / God! You that / thirst for / blood, de- / part from me.
- M 19 They speak de- / spitefully a- / gainst you; your enemies / take your / Name in / vain.
- 4 p 20 Do I not hate those, O / LORD, who / hate you? and do I not loathe / those who rise / up a- / gainst you?
 - 21 I hate them with a / per-fect / hatred; they have be- / come my / own / enemies.
- U mf 22 Search me out, O God, and / know my / heart; try me and / know my / rest-less / thoughts.
 - 23 Look well whether there be any / wickedness in / me and lead me in the / way that is / ev-er- / lasting.
- Glory to the Father, and / to the / Son, and / to the / Ho-ly / Spirit:
 - as it was in the be- / ginning, is / now, and / \overrightarrow{will} be for- / ever. \parallel A- / men.